

DWARF SALTWORT Salicornia Bigelovii

Located in coastal saltmarshes throughout the Division.

A branched or unbranched, fleshy annual; 3-30 cm high. Fruiting spikes are green turning bright red in autumn; 1-10 cm long; 4-6 mm thick. Flowers are inconspicuous in joints near end of stem; blooming from August through November. Differs from S. europaea in that the joints of the branches are thicker than long.

Same wildlife value as S. europaea (p. 9.00).



PERENNIAL SALTWORT Salicornia virginica

Located on sandy sea beaches and the borders of salt marshes throughout the Division. Also known as Leadgrass or Woody Glasswort.

Unlike S. europaea and S. bigelovii, this saltwort is a perennial with a dense network of woody roots at the sand surface. The long, usually unbranched stems may form dense mats of green vegetation in drier portions of the marsh; turning lead-color or brown in autumn. Flowers inconspicuous in joints; blooming from August through October.

Similar wildlife value is S. europaea and S. bigelovii (p. 9.00).

